

THE DEFENDER

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- The Person of the Lord Jesus Christ is the central theme of the sixty-six books of the Holy Bible. Although written hundreds of years apart by many different authors in three different languages, yet the same golden thread runs through the entire message. The fact that every detail of the earth-life of Christ was predicted in these sacred pages hundreds of years in advance, is sufficient argument for both His deity and the supernatural inspiration of the Scriptures. Life, light and liberty always accompany an open Bible. American civilization was cradled in the Word of God, nurtured according to Christian principles and grew to maturity under the guiding hand of an all-wise Providence. "The entrance of thy words giveth light.... Thy word is a lamp unto my feet, and a light unto my path."

New Deal Religion

... Dr. W. D. Herrstrom
Akron, Ohio

WHAT is the New Deal brand of religion? I have been seeking the answer to this question for some time.

For six long years the ready pen of Mrs. Franklin D. Roosevelt has brought forth treasures from her encyclopedic mind on such subjects as how to make gardens, how to raise flowers, how to bring up children, how young girls should drink liquor — and what have you?

After much waiting my patience was finally rewarded by an article on the subject of religion, recently published in the *Liberty* magazine (June 17, 1939).

America's First Lady was using her pen to bring the benefits of civilization to the Southland — now stigmatized as "America's number one economic problem." A young Texan had asked her a question which was evidently the inspiration for the article. (He isn't the only Texan who has been asking questions about the New Deal.) The title of the treatise is "Do Our Young People Need Religion?"

Should Politicians Pray?

It appears, according to Mrs. Roosevelt, that there are still some Congressmen who pray. Evidently anxious to belittle the South in characteristic New Deal style, she tells of a southern lady who asked her Congressman for a position. He insisted upon praying about the matter before making an appointment. Later he appointed another. There was some "show of bitterness" in the lady who failed to get the job. This might indicate that she was not living in the most prayerful attitude herself and helps to explain why she failed to get the position.

However, our honored First Lady criticizes the praying Congressman and informs her readers that this is an instance of "THRUSTING RELIGION IN WHERE IT REALLY HAD NO PART."

This is certainly a *new deal* in religion! Our godly forefathers who laid the foundations of this Republic were men of prayer. They gave God proper recognition in governmental affairs and some of them took even the most trivial matters before the Lord, ever conscious of the need of divine guidance.

The *Mayflower Compact* begins with the words, "In the name of God." Those who signed it tell us that their venture by sea was undertaken "for the glory

of God, and advancement of the Christian faith." Out of this Compact came the Constitution of the United States.

Were they "thrusting religion in where it really had no part?" Of course, that was before the advent of the New Deal.

"Forasmuch as it hath pleased the Almighty God . . ." Thus, begins the Fundamental Orders of Connecticut, adopted in 1639.

John Winthrop paid his respects to the dictators and to the spirit of dictatorship when in 1644 he said, "Arbitrary Government is where a people have men set over them, without their choice or allowance; who have power to govern them, and judge their causes without a rule.

"God only hath this prerogative; whose sovereignty is absolute, and whose will is a perfect rule, and reason itself; so as for man to usurp such authority, is tyranny, and impiety."

Were these gentlemen "thrusting religion in where it really had no part?"

Lincoln's Faith In God

The Declaration of Independence includes the following statement:

"And for the support of this Declaration, with a firm reliance on the Protection of Divine Providence, we mutually pledge to each other our Lives, our Fortunes and our sacred Honor."

Were these statesmen "thrusting religion in where it really had no part?"

While the Constitution of the United States was being drawn up, Benjamin Franklin reminded the delegates that the God of Heaven presides over the destinies of nations and that prayer should be made for guidance in the important matter at hand. George Washington approved this recommendation. It is evident that God heard and answered that prayer, for the Constitution has given more liberty to more people, for a longer time, than any other document in the history of the world. These men were not ashamed to bow their heads reverently before God in public places.

Were they "thrusting religion in where it really had no part?"

In his Second Inaugural Address, Abraham Lincoln said, "Fondly do we hope — fervently do we pray — that this mighty scourge of war may speedily pass away. Yet if God will that it may continue . . . still it must be said: 'The judgments of the Lord are true and righteous altogether.'"

Was that "thrusting religion in where it really had no part?"

The spirit of the times seems to be, "Good-bye God, we don't need you any longer. We have a New Deal. We don't need to pray about appointments."

(It is evident that God has had nothing to do with some of the New Deal appointments. For further information, consult Elizabeth Dilling's book,

The Red Network. Read the Communitistic biographies of the large number of appointees who have been given prominent posts in the Roosevelt Administration. Would to God we had more men in positions of power who knew the language of prayer.)

Old Conventional Observances

Mrs. Roosevelt tells us that many with deeply religious convictions are "somewhat shaken" from their "old conventional observances" because they have begun to look facts in the face.

It's too bad John Winthrop, George Washington, Benjamin Franklin and Abraham Lincoln didn't think of that! Had they known about the New Deal in religion, things might have been different. For example, John Winthrop, instead of writing, "God only hath this prerogative," might have written as follows: "The New Dealers only have

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An Exchange of Telegrams

Washington, D. C.
July 7, 1939

Dr. Gerald B. Winrod
Wichita, Kansas

YOUR MOST EXCELLENT ADDRESS ENTITLED KEEP AMERICA OUT OF WAR DELIVERED BY YOU OVER DEL RIO RADIO STATION APRIL THIRTY WAS INSERTED IN APPENDIX CONGRESSIONAL RECORD YESTERDAY BY ME AND I AM NOW MAILING YOU COPY THEREOF. CONSIDER IT HIGH PRIVILEGE AND HONOR TO BE PROVIDED OPPORTUNITY OF BRINGING TO ATTENTION AMERICAN PUBLIC SUCH A MARVELOUS ADDRESS. THANKS FOR YOUR PATRIOTIC COOPERATION. REGARDS.

Robert R. Reynolds,
United States Senator

Toronto, Canada
July 10, 1939

Hon. Robert R. Reynolds
Senate Office Building
Washington, D. C.

THANK YOU FOR YOUR TELEGRAM FORWARDED TO ME HERE AND FOR GRACIOUS ACT OF INSERTING OUR RECENT RADIO ADDRESS AGAINST WAR INTO THE CONGRESSIONAL RECORD. EVER INCREASING NUMBERS OF CHRISTIANS AND PATRIOTS ARE THANKING GOD FOR YOUR INSIGHT INTO TRUE CAUSES BEHIND OUR NATION'S PLIGHT AND COURAGE YOU ARE MANIFESTING IN COMBATING THESE EVILS. YOUR STAND ON IMMIGRATION MATTERS INCLUDING EFFORTS TO PRESERVE AMERICAN JOBS FOR AMERICAN WORKERS ENJOYS THE SUPPORT OF EVERY RIGHT THINKING CITIZEN WHO HAS TAKEN THE TROUBLE TO INFORM HIMSELF AS TO THE NATURE OF THE PROBLEM. BEST WISHES.

Gerald B. Winrod

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THOMAS TERRY STUDIOS
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Yellow Journalism

... Dr. Gerald B. Winrod

WE HAVE waited to see if Mr. W. W. Stout, Editor of the Saturday Evening Post, would correct the injustice done our work, through false statements recently published in his columns by Mr. Stanley High.

Now that he has refused to bring his editorial policy up to the level of truth, even assuming an insulting and belligerent attitude toward those who have written requesting him to do so, the time has come to place the matter squarely before the Christian public.

Mr. Stout's letters to those who have protested against the outright falsehoods contained in Mr. High's attack, are couched in the language of a bully. I know of repeated instances where Ministers of the Gospel, church leaders, laymen, Christian mothers, and others, have written the Post in the kindest and most considerate tones, only to receive caustic personal replies from Mr. Stout — written as if he were engaged at the proverbial task of killing snakes!

That the Saturday Evening Post is a wealthy publication with a potential constituency of readers numbering into the hundreds of thousands, we readily admit. That it has a right to falsely accuse even the humblest citizen of our land, we flatly deny. That the Post became a powerful factor of moral and patriotic righteousness under the editorship of George Horace Lorimer, everyone knows. That it is steadily deteriorating under the management of Mr. Stout, is the opinion of a great many.

No magazine ever gets so big, and attains such a degree of power, that it can successfully disregard standards of truth and common decency. Mr. Stout will do well to ponder Proverbs 16:18, "Pride goeth before destruction, and an haughty spirit before a fall."

The Post's contemporary Ken has learned to its sorrow that the public will not swallow lying propaganda as a permanent diet. Ken was riding a high tide less than a year ago — with a bi-weekly circulation of 250,000 copies. I can testify from personal experience that its pages were given over to falsely accusing those who are engaged in the task of helping to save our Country from the terrors of Bolshevism.

Loss of public interest is responsible in part for Ken's demise, a statement having been issued by the editors that it will cease publication August 3, 1939. At the time this announcement was made, press dispatches also reported that the magazine was being sued for \$1,010,000 by Mr. S. D. Dodge of San Francisco who claims to have been libeled by one of its characteristic editorials. Ken is alleged to have referred to him as being anti-Catholic and anti-

ed with the charge of Fascism and Nazism. The peak of this kind of propaganda was reached when Mr. Stout opened his columns to the radical Mr. High, permitting the latter to publicly abuse and attack a large number of America's Christian and patriotic leaders. Communistic propaganda often appears in strange places and frequently works from behind extraordinary fronts.

The Reds want to inflict a fatal wound upon Democracy in this part of the world by dividing the American people into two opposing camps—Fascist and Communist. Then, naturally, they hope to rise triumphant upon the ruins of the civil war thus precipitated. In any event, to accomplish their purpose, Representative Government must be abolished. It is a part of the scheme to discredit defenders of Democracy by the use of lying propaganda. In other words, a Fascist issue must be created, a Fascist straw man must be built up, if our Constitution is to be destroyed.

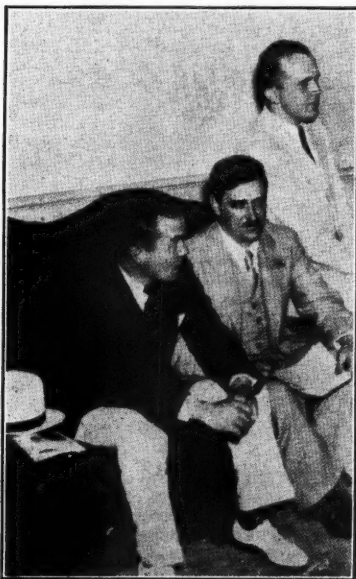
The current issue of Liberty magazine contains a startling article from the pen of a Communist leader, high in the Party councils of the United States. He says:

"It's coming soon, the Fascist-Communist revolution which is to divide the world into two great totalitarian states. Events have hurried the Fascist part abroad, and the inevitable result of those events, war, will hurry the Communist part at home.

"We of the Communist faith had hoped for a little more time to complete our job of bankrupting the nation by Moscow-inspired 'social' legislation. But we have done pretty well. We are ready. Within twenty-four hours we can paralyze the transportation and communication systems of this country. In a like period, if our members in the army and navy do their duty, we can blow up every American fort, scuttle every battleship. Between nightfall and nightfall we believe that we can deliver this country to Soviet Russia. And we will do it by the method counseled by Lenin and practiced by Stalin — the wholesale shedding of blood.

"How do I know this? Because I myself am a Red who speaks from the

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Stanley High and Earl Browder seated

Semitic. Mr. Dodge asks \$1,000,000 damages for being called anti-Catholic and \$10,000 for being labelled anti-Jewish.

From Mr. Stout's letters, one gains the impression that he is a man of extraordinary importance. He seems to be entirely conscious of the power that accompanies the seat which he occupies at the head of the Post's editorial table. And yet, it remains to be seen whether even he, is powerful enough to defy truth and abuse the authority that rests in his hands!

INSTRUCTIONS went out from Moscow a few years ago that all opponents of Communism were to be smear-

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ITEMS of INTEREST to DEFENDERS

THE DEFENDER has just received a shipment of books from Dublin, Ireland entitled "The Rulers of Russia". Written by Rev. Denis Fahey, a Catholic priest, this book proves conclusively that the Communist movement of the world is Jewish. It exposes the hidden hand behind the turmoil of the nations. The price is 25 cents or five copies \$1.00.

THE OPENING WORDS of the brochure *The Rulers of Russia* are as follows: "In this treatise I present to my readers a number of serious documents which go to show that the real forces behind Bolshevism in Russia are Jewish forces. Since Bolshevism, on its own confession, does not intend to remain within the narrow limits of any one country, the importance of this documentation is manifest."

ON JUNE 1, 1927, the *Commonwealth College Fortnightly* published the following letter from Louis D. Brandeis, "Dear Dr. Zeuch: I enclose, with my best wishes a check (\$100) for the College — to be used for such purposes as you deem most desirable." Brandeis, a Jew, recently retired from the bench of the U. S. Supreme Court and is reported to be devoting himself to advancing the interests of his race in America. Commonwealth College is located at Mena, Arkansas and upon being investigated by the State Legislature was pronounced a Communist, free-love institution. Brandeis and other members of his family are described as regular financial contributors.

THE GENERAL PUBLIC is now coming to understand that the New Deal has had its roots in Jewish intellectualism from the beginning. Like Russia, the United States is suffering from the scourge of internationalism. The two Jews, credited with greater responsibility for New Deal innovations than others, are Brandeis and Frankfurter.

AFTER RESIGNING as head of Commonwealth College, Dr. Zeuch was given an important position in the New Deal Administration at Washington.

"HOW FARMERS Are Jew-Ruled" is the title of Robert E. Edmondson's latest bulletin. If a million Americans residing in rural districts could be induced to read this startling exposure

of economic exploitation, the tide in our Country would turn. Representative government would be saved. The Defender can supply copies of this bulletin at 5 cents each, postpaid.

SMEARERS of the Drew Pearson and Robt. S. Allen type, writers of daily syndicated articles called *Washington Merry-Go-Round*, continue to have fun playing with mud. But public reaction will eventually sweep the present crop of left-wing, radical writers into journalistic oblivion. The following typical barb was released through the Pearson-Allen column a few days ago: "Senator Bob Reynolds of North Carolina is blossoming out. In addition to purchasing a large apartment house near the Capitol, he has hired a one-time AP reporter as publicity man and editor of his covertly anti-Semitic publication, *The Vindicator*."

NO TEARS were shed by Christians when announcement was recently made that the Jewish-edited Magazine *Ken* had suspended publication. "Good riddance of bad rubbish," says a Minister in Texas. *Ken's* policy of attacking Christians and patriots compared favorably with the methods used by *Look* and *Life*.

MR. E. B. GERMANY, State Chairman of the Democratic Party in Texas, said in a recent speech: "I am of the firm belief that somehow the great God of the universe has raised up for us and trained for this crisis this man from Southwest Texas, John Nance Garner."

SUBTLE TRICKS are being used through controlled press channels to produce hate reactions and confuse public opinion, in attempting to prepare the United States for war. Propagandists never tire of talking about a coming struggle between "democracies and dictatorships". The lie is patent for the reason that only one democracy remains in Europe today. Present efforts to stir war passions are as vicious as those used during the World War when the American people were told that they were fighting to "make the world safe for democracy."

WINSTON CHURCHILL, British statesman, blames the United States for the rise of Communism, Fascism and Nazism. In a recent interview with William Griffin, editor of the *New York Enquirer*, he said: "America's entrance into the war was

If you move be sure to write The Defender giving both your old and new addresses.

disastrous not only for your country but for the Allies as well, because had you stayed at home and minded your own business we would have made peace with the Central Powers in the spring of 1917, and by so doing would have saved over 1-million British and French lives. We would have made peace with Germany and then there would have been no collapse in Russia followed by Communism; no breakdown in Italy followed by Fascism; and Nazism would not at present be enthroned in Germany."

PRESS DISPATCHES are being so worded as to constantly align the United States, England, France and Russia in the public mind against Germany, Italy and Japan. Nations moving in Russia's orbit are supposed to be "democracies". Nations moving in Germany's orbit are supposed to be "dictatorships". By this subtle and deceptive method, the internationalists expect to draw America into Europe's coming conflagration.

RALPH TOWNSEND says: "A powerful minority in America, well organized and well financed, wants us to fight three nations — Germany, Italy, and Japan. Once enough hate is achieved the rest is easy. . . . There are only two dictatorships among the nations our editors want us to fight. There are seventeen dictatorships in the lineup which our editors are pleased to call the world's 'democratic front against dictators', which we are supposed to fight for."

DISSENSION DEVELOPED at the American Youth Congress in New York early last month, when a group of delegates demanded that resolutions be adopted condemning Communism, as well as Fascism and Nazism. Bedlam reigned as opposing camps hurled invectives at one another. Those opposing Communism were labelled "anti-Semites". When the voting ended and a victory for the reds had been announced, an Ohio delegate rose and shouted: "I call upon all patriots in this audience to follow me out of the room." A large number walked out. Mrs. Roosevelt addressed the Congress in the evening and congratulated it upon the "creed" adopted during the day which had failed to condemn Communism.

THE MOST powerful indictment of the Jewish-controlled Motion Picture Industry yet published, comes from the pen of Dr. John R. Rice, a southern Baptist preacher and editor. "*What Is Wrong With The Movies?*" is the title . . . the price 35 cents. Available from, The Defender Magazine.

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innermost councils of the Communist Party in the United States."

STANLEY HIGH came to Wichita early this year. I was away at the time on a preaching tour. When local newspapers announced that the Post was having him "Write Winrod up", I sent him a letter with a copy of my book, *Talks on Sound Government*, which he acknowledged.

Every reader of this book knows that it is a defense of Constitutional Democracy, as against the encroachments of Communism, Fascism and Nazism. Mr. High had the facts before him when he started to write, which facts I charge that he ignored in the interests of red propaganda.

Before examining the outright falsehoods appearing in the article — falsehoods that Mr. Stout should be glad to correct — let us survey Mr. High's record briefly.

(1) Mrs. Elizabeth Dilling published his radical biography in her two books, *The Red Network* and *The Roosevelt Red Record*, showing numerous contacts with subversive leaders and revolutionary groups. She quotes him as far back as October 17, 1924, as saying: "I am not so sure but that the atheism in Russia is a step in the right direction. We have lost faith in the church that is servile to the Government."

(2) The Communist *Daily Worker* of August 15, 1934, reported him to be one of three known radicals to sign and send a cablegram to Hitler asking that the two most notorious Communists of Germany should not be in any way mistreated. It was therefore not unusual to find him photographed with Earl Browder, "front man" for the Communist forces of America, which photograph appears on page 3 of this *Defender*.

(3) Mr. High was made head of the New Deal "Good Neighbor League" to help bring Protestant preachers and churchmen to Roosevelt in the last national election. A Methodist Pastor in Ohio sums this matter up as follows: "My memory is not so short as to forget how this writer (High) was connected within the past two years. I know what he thought he was going to do with us Ministers for political reasons in the recent national campaign. He thought he could sell us to certain groups that are not only threatening our great American institutions, but are actually destroying them."

(4) The name, Stanley High, is listed as an official on the letterhead of the so-called "Friends of Democracy", an organization of which L. M. Birkhead professes to be the founder. Mr. High made a trip to Kansas City, Missouri, and conferred at length with Birkhead while assembling his smear material for use against the enemies of Communism. On April 24, 1939, Rev. Charles Coughlin's magazine, *Social Justice*, carried a detailed report on Birkhead's activities, a few extracts being as follows:

"The Reverend Mr. Birkhead is Pastor of All Souls Unitarian Church of

Kansas City, known familiarly to Kansans as the 'Liberal Center'.

"The 'liberalism' of this institution, and its founder, far transcends the usual understanding of the word. Its 'liberalism' is of the same type spoken of and understood by the disciples of Marx, Lenin and Stalin.

"No worshipper ever entered a stranger church than that of the Reverend Mr. Birkhead. No prayers ever are offered within its walls. No Scripture is bothered with. No hymns are sung, and no opportunity for a collection is ever passed up.

"Instead, this 'church' has been used as a meeting place for Communist organizations. The *International* has been sung where religious hymns are considered out of date. Clenched, whitened fists have been raised in the Communist salute — a symbol of Marxian defiance of God — in this 'holy' place.

"And the kindly pastor of this church, Mr. Birkhead, wrote in 1927: 'The great forces of our time, and religion, are in mortal combat. Traditional religion and democracy cannot live in the same world.' So Mr. Birkhead chose to scrap religion, and save (his brand of) democracy in the scrapping process.

"Birkhead is national director of an organization known as the 'Friends of Democracy.' The organization... might better be known as the 'Friends of Communism,' for although it makes a pretense of opposing Communism along with Nazism and Fascism, the relative strength of its attack on the latter two contrasts with the lightness of its attack on the former, and betrays its love for Sovietism. Its membership roster lists men whose political natures are redder than the village fire truck.

"President of the 'Friends of Democracy' is the Reverend Joseph C. Cleveland, pastor of First Congregational Church of Kansas City, Kansas. Mr. Cleveland, like Mr. Birkhead, is strong for a flavor of modernism with his religion. Accordingly, on a bright Sunday morning in May, 1938, the Reverend Mr. Cleveland presented a guest preacher in his pulpit — Miss Sally Rand, of fan dance, bubble dance, and feather dance fame. She spoke in favor of the Red Loyalists who sought to drive Christianity out of Spain....

"Mr. Birkhead was listed as a mem-

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ber of the international committee to arrange a fitting tribute to the memory of Robert Ingersoll, notorious atheist. This event was sponsored by the Atheist Freethinkers of America, and it is assumed this society draws from its own membership to staff its committees.

"Mr. Birkhead has had a strange history in his quest for national notoriety. He has streamlined his particular brand of religion. He has volunteered to spread the poison of Moscow in America. He has done a professional job of fronting for atheistic Jews who would smear Father Coughlin."

CONSIDERING that I wrote a booklet in opposition to Fascism the year Mussolini rose to power... have published scores of articles along the same line in *The Defender* and other magazines... have delivered numerous addresses on the same subject in all parts of the United States and Canada... it was a novel experience to see myself labelled as a Fascist in the *Saturday Evening Post*.

In answer to a caustic letter from Mr. Stout dated May 24, 1939, I wrote him as follows on June 6, 1939:

"If you are as familiar with my record as you profess, then you know that never once, in private or public, have I said or written anything favorable to Fascism.

"Now, come on Mr. Stout, disprove the above statement! If I am a Fascist, you should be able to cite at least one instance where I have said or written something favorable to the system. Submit your proof, or be a gentleman and publish a retraction."

On June 9, 1939, he replied as follows:

"I am sorry that you did not enclose a photograph with your letter of the sixth. I should have liked to see whether you had your tongue in one cheek or in both.

"Of all the individuals listed by Stanley High, you alone interest me. After thirty years as a reporter and editor, beginning incidentally in Wichita, no form or degree of fanaticism can astonish me, and all crackpots bore me. But your letters, your writings and your performance in the Kansas cam-

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paign suggest that you are no fool.

"I, therefore shall not insult your intelligence by citing you verse and chapter from your writings, or quibble with you about the meaning of Fascist."

When I received this letter, I came to understand that the Editor of the Saturday Evening Post was deliberately and knowingly engaging in a plan of deception, to falsely accuse men who are conscientiously trying to save our Nation from catastrophe — otherwise he would have admitted his error, since he was obviously unable to cite "one instance where I have said or written something favorable to" Fascism.

Stanley High describes me as "Fascism's man on horseback".

In the use of this metaphor, I accuse him of plagiarizing an article of mine AGAINST FASCISM, appearing in January 1936 Defender. Writing under the heading "Italy's Man on Horseback", I said:

"The rise of dictators upon the ruins of parliamentary systems of government is typified (in the book of Revelation) by the riders of these snorting beasts.

"Mussolini is the world's greatest living man on horseback. He is perhaps the most brazen and boastful human being on earth today. Here are a few of his characteristic utterances: 'What takes place, takes place by my precise and direct will, and according to my exact orders: I woo nobody, I reject nobody; but I trust above all in my own strength.'

"Force and force alone, is the human quality that animates dictatorship. Human liberties are swallowed up by the men on horseback.

"The philosophers who contributed more than others to moulding the early thinking of Mussolini, were Nietzsche, Schopenhauer, Machiavelli and Marx. The warped and pernicious doctrines of these four diseased brains, may be noted in everything he says and does. As a young man, Mussolini was partic-

ularly fond of Nietzsche, the destroyer, whose wicked teachings permeated the schools of Europe and paved the way for the World War. According to this doctrine, violence is moral, and brotherly love is immoral. Brute force is presented as the only sure road to progress. The ultimate objective is a race of supermen, with A SUPERMAN at the top, ruling the human family.

"These perverted ideals are not merely academic with Mussolini. They represent his real conception of life. To him, the human race is an inferior herd, upon whom he is destined to impress his will. His egoism knows no bounds.

"When philosophers become rulers, the rank and file of people have cause to become frightened."

HAVING shown Mr. High to be guilty of plagiarizing, I now accuse him of deliberately falsifying. Turning to the Saturday Evening Post of May 27, 1939, we read that Defender "offices and plant" are located "in a somewhat imposing building." Never before has the one-story building, which we rent, five blocks from the main business section of the city, been called "imposing". Mr. High says I made an "extended visit" to Germany. I travelled through several countries of Europe in 1935 spending four days in Germany.

Now, let Christians and patriots take particular note of the following tactics used by Mr. High and Mr. Stout, and decide whether journalism could be more yellow. . . .

We read: "In Germany and Italy," he (Winrod) writes, "the church is revered and preserved." Nazism and Fascism, another editorial declares, stand for 'life, happiness and prosperity'.

Mr. High is quoting from the December 1936 Defender, page 20. He misrepresents when he says "another editorial". Both of his alleged quotations are taken from the same article, in fact the paragraphs join.

He breaks phrases in the middle and lifts five words out of one sentence and four words out of another, to present an entirely false impression as to the actual content of the thought. AND, ANY WAY, I DID NOT EVEN WRITE THE ARTICLE FROM WHICH HE PURPORTS TO QUOTE. IT WAS WRITTEN BY DR. OSWALD J.

SMITH, THE WELL KNOWN PULPIT STATESMAN OF TORONTO, CANADA.

MOREOVER, THE ARTICLE IS AN ATTACK UPON FASCISM AND A DEFENSE OF DEMOCRATIC GOVERNMENT.

Dr. Smith is engaging in an objective discussion, contrasting the three major isms—Communism, Fascism and Nazism. Everything he says is true. In greater Germany there are 40-million Protestants and 20-million Catholics. Italy is predominantly Catholic. On the other hand, as Dr. Smith says: "In Russia (Christianity) is bitterly opposed, its ministers tortured and murdered, and even God Himself blasphemed and defied."

Mr. High quotes a few words from one of Dr. Smith's sentences to make it appear that Fascism is being endorsed. But the very next sentence, in the same paragraph, is as follows: "All three, Communism, Fascism and Nazism, are repugnant to British and American ideals."

Then, a few sentences farther down in the article, we read these words:

"God grant that we may be faithful to the democratic principles for which our fathers fought, and ever hold sacred the freedom that is ours. There is no place in British and American institutions for tyranny in any form whatever. FASCISM, NAZISM, AND COMMUNISM, ARE ALIKE OUR FOES. May our prayer, as we face the future days, be: 'Give peace in our time, O Lord'."

In the light of foregoing facts, Mr. Stout and Mr. High stand condemned before the Christian public for engaging in what is commonly called Yellow Journalism.

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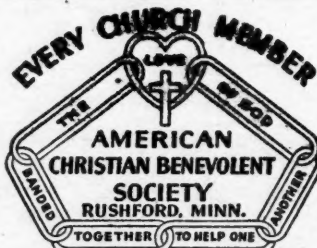
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A Sermon by Bishop Otto Melle of Germany

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THE seventeenth verse of the fifth chapter of Luke — Dr. Melle began — tells us that "the power of the Lord was present", as Jesus performed mighty miracles.

That power which emanated from His majestic Personality has not diminished but is also present today. It flows out from Christ through His Church to the world. Luke records how "virtue" went out from the Lord to heal a poor woman who was suffering of an "issue of blood." There is no realm of life where the power that came from Christ can not in some way be detected.

If we would tear the Bible and the truths which it contains from all the books which have been written, what would we have but mere passing entertainment — an entertainment to make us laugh or to make us weep, but still entertainment of no permanent, enduring value in our lives?

If we were to take the power of Christ and the Bible out of art, literature and music, the soul of these products of civilization would be gone. What would there be left to give us courage and inspiration in facing the battles, the worries, the disappointments and problems of daily life?

God and Man United

Let us see how this great power worked back in those days when our Lord was in human flesh. Let us take the Sermon on the Mount as an example of the words which He spoke. Here we find a throbbing message which was no play upon language to quicken false hopes but rather words of flame, reaching to the deepest depths of heart impulses, that have burned their way into the centuries. Those words will produce a moral and spirit-

ual revolution in the sinful heart of any man who will read and ponder their meaning. Christ spoke as One having authority and not as the Scribes and Pharisees.

Let us visit the frightened disciples in their storm-tossed boat and hear Jesus rebuke them for their small faith. Then let us see how even the elements of nature yielded to the power that emanated from His matchless Person. The winds became quiet. The waves were made calm.

Let us think how, that by this great power, He healed the sick, cleansed the lepers, opened eyes which could not see

FOLLOWING the recent World Conference of the Methodist denomination held at Kansas City, Bishop F. H. Otto Melle, head of the Church in Germany, came to Newton, Kansas, for four sermons on May 14, 1939. He spoke in the local Methodist and Menonite churches Sunday morning, and the City Auditorium Sunday afternoon and evening. Three of the addresses were delivered in English and one in German.

The June and July issues of The Defender contained complete texts of two of the sermons, stenographically reported. Notes were taken on the address "A Power Went Out From Jesus", and by this means it is possible to publish the message this month, although Bishop Melle's exact words can not be reproduced since the talk was given in the German language.

and performed miracles on ears that failed to hear. Let us recall the times when He even raised the dead — the young man in the coffin when the burial service was taking place and Christ restored life to the body that had been struck down by the hand of death! What kind of power is this and from where does it come?

Perhaps you will say that Jesus was the Son of God. There is no question about that. Paul says He did not consider it robbery to be like God. And Jesus was also man, just as we ourselves are humans. He came down and took upon Himself certain unmistakable limitations that go with flesh life.

As a man He was tempted. As a

man He knew suffering. As a man He was acquainted with grief. As a man He knew hunger. As a man He knew thirst. The birds had nests, the beasts had dens, but He had no place to rest His head.

Unlike ourselves, there were no committees waiting to take care of His interests and to look after His welfare. The way was not paved for His activities. No provision was made for His personal needs. He stood alone and abandoned by all who had power in the affairs of this world. And yet He knew a deep secret, He possessed a greater power than others. What was the source of this power? How was it transferred to the Church for manifestation in a world of darkness and sin?

There are three main points to be taken into consideration. . . .

The Power of Redemption

(1) Jesus was in the flesh, and He was human like all other humans on earth. But Jesus was without sin. He lived a holy life. Although human, temptations could not induce Him to give up His holiness of character.

Because He was without sin, He could become the Servant to bear the sins of others. Human beings are justified to stand before God because of His "finished work" of redemption. Of ourselves we have no standing with God. But through Christ we are justified in the acceptance of that power required to destroy sin in human bodies.

What would become of this world — if we His followers, would become really like Him by appropriating the power that rightfully belongs to us through the redemptive process? Are we not expected to be "like Him"? Some day we will be with Him, and will "see Him as He is." Let us strive to so live that His great power will emanate from us!

Because we do not allow the redemptive power of Christ to fully develop itself in us, we often fall far beneath our spiritual privileges as children of God. To the degree that we yield ourselves to Him and the plan of redemption, to that degree do we enjoy the beauty of holiness in our lives.

We should always strive to let Christ Jesus be our only Guide. We must run to win the race, win the crown and reach the goal, which He has set before us. We must so consecrate ourselves as to let Him fill us with the Holy Spirit to know Him in fulness and not just in part.

His power is available to us.

The Power of Prayer

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POWER.

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how much Jesus accustomed Himself to prayer when He was on earth? He said: "I and my father are one." One could assume from this, that He may have had no need of prayer. But if we pay attention, it will be noticed that He prayed much.

We can also learn from Him how we should pray. His followers are exhorted to "pray without ceasing." This does not mean to spend all of our time talking. Praying is more than talking. Jesus used to go out into the black of night and pray hours at a time while His disciples would fall asleep.

But of what does prayer really consist. Is it merely a sort of "begging" to which we have become accustomed? No, it means more than just to beg things of the Lord. It means a conversation of the heart, with God. It means a *soul language* in which the moral nature of the supplicant is lifted to spiritual heights untouched by those who live only to satisfy the flesh.

Like a child talks with its father so Christ Jesus talked with God — and so are we privileged to speak with the Heavenly Father. Only because we fail to pray, to be trustful of the Father, do we limit the expression of the power that goes out from Christ. Words properly spoken in prayer under the direction of the Holy Spirit, become creative — they create for God's glory on earth and souls are saved, saints are edified and blessed.

It is not so much a matter of praying in public or what we do at church. Jesus prayed alone and quietly. He was capable of praying at all times, not like the religious leaders of His day who put on pious faces and prayed long prayers in public places to be seen of men. The first Christians, they too, could pray in spiritual contact with God and in harmonious fellowship with one another, and great power went out from them. The Church today has need to learn to pray again.

Peter knew how to pray, and the locked doors were opened and he went out of the prison a free man. Paul and Silas could pray and a desperate keeper asked them how his soul might be saved. All great men of the kingdom of God and history — knew how to pray. Let us learn to pray as Jesus prayed and great power will go out from us.

The Power of Love

(3) What is the greatest power wielded over human beings? Surely there is no one who will deny, that for humans, death is the most terrible thing that exists. But the power that went out from Jesus, was able even to conquer this great enemy. He fought with death, defeated the enemy and

gave to His followers a similar assurance of triumph over this foe.

The love of Jesus — this power overpowered even death! In His love, Jesus prayed in the Garden until a bloody sweat came over His body. In His love, Jesus went to the Cross to save sinners. In His love, Jesus downed death and rose from the tomb. In His love, Jesus descended to the depths to lead those who had died under the promise, up and out and back to His Father.

Because Jesus was capable of loving, He had the might and the power to overcome even death. And not only death — He overcame the whole world through love.

Not in His holiness do we find the fundamental source of His power. Not in His prayer do we find the source of His power. The source of His power was His ability to love. This *might of love* equipped Him with power to do the great works which poured forth like an endless stream from His beautiful Personality. And it is this *might of love* which will also equip us, His disciples, with power, if only we will make room for it within our lives.

But how does the *might of love* show itself. A short parable will illustrate that fact to us this morning. . . .

In a smithy, a hammer was heard to boast of its unequalled strength. Whatever it would hit, the hammer gloated, had either to give in or break. A saw was seen nearby to laugh derisively. It asserted that it had much more power than the hammer. Where a hammer would be powerless, the sharp teeth of the saw would bite and destroy.

To demonstrate its power, the hammer began to wildly beat a piece of steel. But the more it hit the steel, the tougher the metal became, and the hammer had finally to acknowledge defeat. Then the saw bit into that piece of steel. A few strokes back and forth, and the teeth of the saw lost their sharpness. They soon were worn out, and the saw, too, had done but little damage to the metal.

In the corner of the smithy there was a small blue flame. "Let me try it", the flame suggested. Regardless of the derision which met this proposal, the flame came up and began to warm the steel on first one side and then the other. The streak of fire had soon surrounded the metal and warmed it until the steel was itself transformed into a flame and anybody could easily bend and shape it into whatever form desired.

Like this flame — so is the love of Christ which gave Him His great power from God. This love also warms the steel of hard human nature, until the transformed mortal becomes a flame with the divine love of Christ.

Not hatred which, today is hammering down upon the world! No that is not the crying need of suffering mankind. The *might of love* found in Christ Jesus, the love that has overcome the world, and will overcome the world in our own days — this is what the people of every Nation needs.

May the Lord Jesus Christ equip all of us with the spirit of His love. May God fill every man, every woman — this whole congregation today — with a love which will be felt by the world . . . and may a power of the Lord go out from the Church in this the twentieth century, like it went out from Christ and the early Christians! Amen.

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Twenty years in prison and fifty thousand dollars fine for buying jewelry on which the duty had not been paid, and only five years and two thousand dollars maximum if caught peddling the most deadly of all habit-forming drugs, and the chances of apprehension slight in view of the fact that Uncle Sam employs only 226 narcotic agents to police the forty-eight States and enforce the tax law on opium and its large degenerate family including Marijuana! Twenty years for a violation which at the worst cheats American merchants of material wealth and only five years maximum punishment for a crime so diabolical that the perpetrator is ostracized even by the underworld. This irrational calculation of the comparative importance of laws, or seriousness of violation, is one of the fundamental reasons why America is the most lawless civilized nation on the face of the earth today.

When our national lawmakers give as much attention to legislation for the protection of American boys and girls, as they have given to codes regulating the raising of pigs . . . when our courts

will realize that the sale of one Marijuana cigarette may be a more destructive crime than using the mails to defraud or avoiding the Federal Income tax . . . when our Federal judges will stop referring with disdain to Harrison Act and Marijuana Act cases as matters beneath their dignity, rightfully belonging to police courts . . . when they will realize the value of one wrecked life and treat the peddler of narcotic drugs and especially this, outcast of the underworld, the dispenser of Marijuana as a spreader of pestilence and isolate him from society for the full period prescribed by new and intelligent legislation . . . when Uncle Sam will quit playing ostrich and add to the personnel of the Bureau of Narcotics a sufficient number of narcotic agents to properly cope with a major enforcement problem . . . when the Treasury Department will desist from spending the taxpayers' money dispensing expensive illustrated reports minimizing the seriousness of the narcotic drug menace in the United States — then and only then will we lay a foundation upon which we can build inherent respect for American law.

Reefers and Muggles are being sold to American youth to the tune of four and a half billion annually, which means that we have at least a million smokers of the weed of woe in this land of the free, and probably nearer two million. Two-thirds of the "vipers" (as the devotees of this goddess of insanity are known in the underworld) are boys and girls of high school and college age.

What is the United States government doing about it? What are they doing about the whole black page of illicit traffic in habit forming drugs? A strange philosophy appears to have been developed by our Federal authorities. It would seem that they feel there is some virtue in minimizing the situation. In the official report on traffic in opium and other dangerous drugs for the year of 1937 the Bureau of Narcotics states that we have only two addicts per ten thousand population in the entire nation. This statement is so

absurd that even an amateur observer knows it to be erroneous and every Metropolitan police official who reads the report must have a good laugh—to say nothing of those engaged in the illicit traffic in dope.

The government admits that its report is based on a partial survey and that the cities of New York, Philadelphia, Chicago, Los Angeles and San Francisco were not included. Everyone knows that the addict migrates to the large cities and will be found there in far greater numbers than elsewhere, therefore, it is hard to conceive why, in making such a survey, the government agencies would omit the territory in which five of our largest American cities are located, that is if they were honest and wanted to give the public the facts.

Michigan, however, was included in the survey and that takes in America's fourth city, Detroit, and the report tells us that there are 821 addicts in the entire State. This statement would be rare humor if it were not freighted with tragedy. Inspector Edward W. Kunath who for over twelve years directed the activities of the narcotic squad of the Detroit Police Department estimates the number of addicts in the city of Detroit alone at 10,000 and other authorities believe there are another ten thousand in the State outside the city of Detroit. That would mean that Uncle Sam's estimate is only off 19,000—a mere trifle.

The *Chicago Herald and Examiner*, after an exhaustive investigation directed by one of its star writers, stated there were at least 60,000 addicts in the city of Chicago and that they spend One Hundred Million Dollars per year for illicit narcotics. Certainly there is no reason to suppose that addicts are fewer in proportion in any of the other large cities of the Nation. In the State of Washington the Federal Bureau of Narcotics claimed there were only 350 addicts. But E. G. Hoffman, a well informed authority on the subject, who for years had charge of the Washington State Narcotic Farm, produced the

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UNCLE SAM.

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names and addresses of 3,500 addicts taken from the police records and supplied the additional startling information that 250 new addicts were being added to this list annually.

According to the ratio given in the 1937 federal report, we would have approximately 25,000 addicts in the entire United States, whereas every authority of any note places the figure at anywhere from one to two million.

This is the most gigantic ostrich game we have ever witnessed. Uncle Sam is doing little or nothing toward ridding our Country of this white plague and contents himself, it would seem, with throwing a smoke screen around the facts. The "ignorance-is-bliss" policy has apparently been adopted toward the public. Employing only 226 narcotic agents to deal with this gigantic menace in forty-eight States and appropriating the paltry sum of (\$1,267,600.) One million two hundred and sixty seven thousand, six hundred dollars for the enforcement of the narcotic law for the fiscal year ending June 30th, 1939! It is no wonder that this Billion-Dollar drug racket is growing by leaps and bounds and with it a general disregard for law and order. The public should know the truth about this and every other problem of crime, crime-prevention and law enforcement, confronting us today.

Estimates of the annual cost of crime in America run between fifteen and seventeen billion dollars, no I didn't say million. . . . I said SEVENTEEN BILLION DOLLARS. No one knows how much a billion is! The New Deal has taught us to talk glibly about millions and billions of dollars but few people have any conception of what a billion means.

If Moses had started to count dollars the day he was born and counted at the rate of a thousand an hour ten hours a day with no time off for Sundays and holidays, and if he were still alive and counting, he would yet have six hundred

years work ahead of him to count the sum that crime costs this Nation every year.

Still you say you can't conceive the magnitude of such an amount, well neither can I, but let us try another approximation. We have \$3,715,576,667 invested in the state universities of the forty-eight States of the Union. Of this amount \$316,136,259 is invested in campuses and farms; \$1,370,680,333 is invested in buildings and improvements; \$319,996,767 is tied up in equipment; another \$1,365,635,282 is in endowment funds; \$90,339,180 is in student aid funds, and \$152,788,886 is listed as representing other assets. This marvelous equipment has been accumulated through long years of painful labor, planning and service and is without an equal among the state owned educational systems of the world.

Add to this, now, if you will, the cost of maintaining our public schools for a year. The only figures I find available are for 1932 and they tell us that the salaries of all teachers, supervisors and other employees, and the upkeep on the buildings, amounted to \$2,174,650,555. Certainly it would be no less in 1939. Now add to this the estimated value of all Church buildings in the United States which amounts to \$3,839,500,000. Then finally take one of the largest single appropriations ever to pass the Congress of the United States, the relief bill amounting to \$4,880,000,000, and add them all together and you have \$14,609,727,222, which is less than the cost of crime in America for one year.

This means, my friends, that if we had what crime costs the people of this Country for just one year, we could absolutely destroy every state-owned university building in the forty-eight states, give away every acre of farm and campus property, demolish all class room and laboratory equipment, cast aside all endowment and student aid funds, get rid of all other assets of the universities and replace every foot of land, every building, every piece of equipment and every endowment; that

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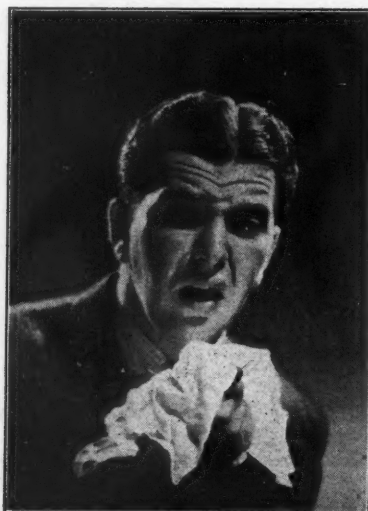
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The United States Must Avoid War

Congressman J. Thorkelson of Montana

LAST NIGHT while I was driving, a news flash came over the radio that recalled to my mind events of twenty-two years ago.

It said: "The President has placed a high tariff on German imports and joins with England and France to stop Hitler and save the world for democracy." I said, "What rot to talk about saving the world for democracy." I recall twenty-two years ago I heard the same slogan.

We stepped to the front and saved the world — for what? For Socialism and Communism. We are today on the verge of internal war as a result of our departure from Constitutional government. Our own Government is undermined with Socialism and Communism until it is about to be destroyed by these two evils.

The Communist, to camouflage his own activities, shouts "Nazism and Fascism." He waves the Swastika to cover the Hammer and the Sickle. These red-dancing dervishes ought to be exported, to go as part of the war materials, shipped out of the United States.

A foreign war would bury many blunders committed by the New Deal during the past eight years. It might even delay disintegration, but it cannot stop it. I do not think for one moment that anything can stop it, except the return to Constitutional government, and it is apparent that the majority does not favor such procedure.

Personally, I do not believe that our people are receptive to this last deal. Our people do not favor meddling with European affairs, and we have no earthly reason to be mixed up in it. We did have cause for war when Japan sank the Panay, and when Mexico confiscated American property, but Germany has not sunk any of our ships, and she has not confiscated American property. So our bellicose attitude is for some other insidious purpose, and I ask what it is!

I am, of course, opposed to foreign war, and I am firmly convinced that the present attempt to involve us in another European conflict is too much, even for those who have faithfully followed the President since he took office.

In the midst of the turmoil of today, let us stop for a moment and review the causes which led to war in

1914. The World War did not begin in Germany, as a certain minority would have us believe. Poincare carried revenge in his heart because of the War of 1870, and he, with Ivolsky and Count Sergius, of Russia, helped to bring about the war. The Minister of Austria, Count von Bechtoldt, lit the fire when he presented the ultimatum to Serbia after Archduke Ferdinand was killed at Sarajevo.

The whole thing, if the truth were known, might have been instigated. The money interests of England were not adverse to war because commercial competition with Germany was rather acute. It is well to bear in mind that when the international money men are squeezed a little too hard, war is sometimes convenient.

We were not threatened by Germany from 1912 to 1916. What happened in 1917? The threat of German invasion was not greater then than it was the year before, but in spite of that, war was declared. Who controlled and disseminated the propaganda that was instrumental in changing the viewpoint of the American public?

We must now be careful that the same agency does not prevail again and so lead us into another war, costly in lives and property.

The wars raging today are to a great extent the aftermath of the Versailles Peace Treaty. This treaty was not only unjust but it was not based upon sound understanding of central Europe. It left some of the victorious nations dissatisfied, because in the division of the spoils England and France received the lion's share; as a matter of fact, the Lion received the most of it. . . .

In the event of European conflict, which I believe is unavoidable, certain powers will expect our help, and pressure will be brought to bear upon us in the same old way. "Blood is thicker than water," and "We speak the same language." When that happens, it is well for Congress to bear in mind that it does not matter what language we speak, destruction and death are realities in spite of sentiment. . . .

The little consideration which has been given to us by the powers we helped in 1917 may have a sobering effect when we recall unpaid or defaulted obligations.

(Abridged text of a speech delivered on the floor of Congress.)

Silence the Poison Pens

Rev. D. E. Collins,
Editor "Prophetic News",
Granada, Minn.

RIGHT now there is one of the greatest propaganda campaigns on for the purpose of "smearing" Christians and patriotic citizens of this Country, that has ever been known.

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If all the Christian people would form a solid front they could make it hot for such publications. You ask how? It has already been proven that the masses of Christian people had a great influence upon Congress when they asserted themselves in behalf of the Constitution of the United States two years ago, as well as what they have recently done by sending two million petitions to Congress to keep America out of war.

In the same manner, Christian people and patriots could assert themselves against magazines which dare to publish slanderous propaganda against fellow Christians by withdrawing their support from them. If it were not for the support of the Christian and patriotic public, most magazines now flourishing could not exist. Hundreds of thousands of Christian people subscribe to, and buy these papers.

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MRS. Myra McHenry, the owner of the world's most famous hatchet, slipped away to be with the Lord, June 18, 1939.

She was 91 years old. Her departure wrote *finis* to a life devoted to crusading against liquor and vice. Mrs. McHenry was the last remaining soldier of a battalion who served under the leadership of Mrs. Carry A. Nation in padlocking the liquor joints of America.

No single individual had so much to do with ushering in the era of national sobriety and prosperity which resulted

this shrine erected and held frequent public exercises at the site.

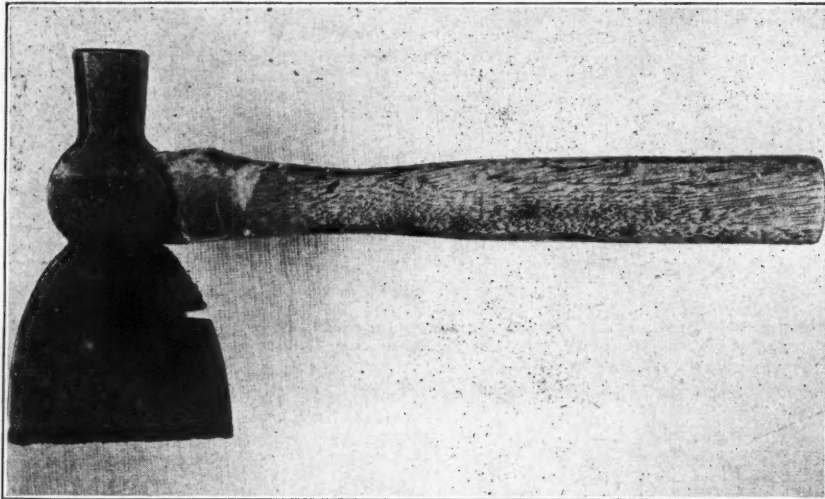
It was not an unusual thing, in recent years, to see this little white-haired woman go in and out of Defenders Headquarters, at 603-5 West Douglas Avenue, here in Wichita. She was an especially close friend of *Dad and Mother Winrod* — the parents of our Editor.

This friendship was an unique one, originating in the fact that almost forty years ago, *Dad* (now the Rev. J. W. Winrod) was the proprietor and bartender at old "Four Ten" — the first

high and mighty or the ecclesiastical leaders, to work with Him in the founding of His Church. He was accused of mingling with "publicans and sinners." His intimate associates were men of the fishermen type.

Accompanying this word sketch is a reproduction of the famous hatchet. Although it became a world-famous symbol, Rev. J. W. Winrod is the only man who ever saw the instrument in action as wielded by Carry Nation. Today, the hatchet is preserved at Wichita University, a gift to the School from Mrs. McHenry.

Rev. Winrod, then a comparatively young man, had come West with thousands of others who were pioneering the plains in those early days. Wichita was a small place and only a compara-



from the closing of 177,790 saloons, as Carry Nation.

This crusade actually began in Wichita, Kansas early in the year 1901. Mrs. McHenry helped to lead in the program that was destined to ignite the moral sentiments of a whole Nation and add the Eighteenth Amendment to the Constitution of the United States.

Many reform movements have been fostered in Kansas. Originality of thought and singleness of purpose, in matters pertaining to national morality, have always characterized the sons of the Sunflower Commonwealth. The cyclonic forces of public sentiment which, at the turn of the century, swept the Country in favor of temperance and sobriety, were first released in Kansas. In those days, Mrs. McHenry was the editor of Carry Nation's anti-liquor newspaper called *The Smasher's Mail*.

In her autobiography, Mrs. Nation wrote glowing words of praise for the labors of Mrs. McHenry. At the front of the Wichita Union Station, there stands a memorial to Carry Nation in the form of a drinking fountain. Mrs. McHenry was instrumental in having

saloon Carry Nation ever smashed with a hatchet. Within a few days, this Christian woman was world famous and a short time later her hatchet had become the emblem of the Prohibition forces of the Country.

At this point it should be remarked that an error appears in Mrs. Nation's principal biography, as to the original smashing incident which took place in Wichita. The book says that *John Burns* was the bartender of the saloon — designated as "Four Ten" because it was located at 410 East Douglas Avenue. But in reality, *Jim Burns* was the owner and *John Winrod* was the bartender.

It is an interesting commentary upon the American story of national sobriety, how this incident served to disgust Rev. Winrod with the liquor business, helped to cause him to accept Christ as Savior, and finally contributed to his entrance upon the Christian Ministry.

The Lord Jesus Christ has always chosen His servants in peculiar ways and from diverse walks of life. When He was on earth, He did not call the

tively short time before had been little more than an Indian trading post.

The term "bleeding Kansas" is associated in history, with that period, to convey an idea of the suffering of those early stalwarts who had settled in a new, undeveloped territory. The one lucrative business — a profession which prospers only on the downfall of its patrons, was the liquor business. Financial adversity drove Rev. Winrod to it.

However, the famous visit of Carry Nation to his saloon was a turning point in his life. While she smashed the liquors and costly fixtures of the establishment, he says "a spiritual hatchet" chopped at his conscience. His own words best describe the reactions which surged through his heart the day that the incident occurred:

"Somehow, as I turned back to the bar and began dishing out the slop to the crowd after Mrs. Nation had gone, I experienced a sick feeling around the heart. I felt disgusted with myself and the whole liquor business. As I looked into the faces of those praying, consecrated Christian women that day,

my mind went back to the little Baptist church in Missouri, where I had once experienced a heart-change, and I thought what a miserable wretch I was to be splashing that liquid damnation across the counter."

It was the pleasure of this writer to be a guest in the home of Rev. and Mrs. J. W. Winrod two days after the death of Mrs. McHenry. His reminiscences of those early experiences, especially as related to the famous hatchet, is a story of absorbing interest.

ONE afternoon, late in the year 1900, John Winrod, bartender at old "Four Ten" was alone in his place of business. It was mid-afternoon and trade was slack.

A woman of middle age walked into the establishment. Kneeling down near a gambling device, she began to pray. It was a short prayer but one which profoundly impressed the proprietor. Then she rose to her feet, turned to him and said:

"Young man, I hope you will be in another business when I come back next time." She explained that she would be back in the near future. Forty days later, the same lady did return to "Four Ten" . . . but on this occasion not for the purpose of prayer!

Rev. Winrod said 42 saloons were then operating in Wichita and that Mrs. Nation prayed in every one, speaking a few words of quiet admonition to the bartender of each "joint" before leaving. The words which she spoke to him burned their way deep into his soul. Even now there is a gleam in his eyes, as he recalls the incident.

Leaving "Four Ten", Mrs. Nation walked two blocks down the street to the bar of Wichita's leading hotel. It was the last of the 42 saloons in which she prayed. But in this instance, her prayer was interrupted by an insulting remark on the part of the proprietor, with reference to an expensive picture of a nude figure hanging over the bar. Thereupon, Carry Nation picked up an old-fashioned cuspidor and hurled it through the portrait. For this act, she was arrested and lodged in the Sedgwick county jail.

"This was the beginning of her famous crusade against the saloon business," Rev. Winrod told the writer. "I

did not dream at that time that she would soon capture the imagination of the entire Country. I had no idea that that noble woman would become a world figure and do more, perhaps, to close the saloons than any other person."

Her arrest and imprisonment were illegal for the reason that saloons were violating Kansas law by being open. Rev. Winrod explained that saloon owners paid a fine each month to the city, and in this manner evaded the law. The liquor element held the balance of power politically in many Kansas communities, including Wichita.

The Carry Nation crusade against liquor was just beginning to take form. The hatchet had not yet been introduced. But pent-up resentment for the system was starting to express itself and the liquor interests were worried. Later events showed that their alarm was fully justified.

Mrs. Nation was put in jail. However, no legal grounds existed for keeping her there, since the saloon keepers were the actual violators of the law. Fearing that she would smash other places, even as she had broken the costly picture of the nude figure, the scheming politicians evolved a plan for quarantining the jail in order to keep her off the streets. They considered this strategy a stroke of genius, thinking thereby to discourage her and break her spirit, but it had the opposite effect.

In her autobiography, Mrs. Nation says of her thirty-day imprisonment in the Sedgwick County jail:

"The sensation of being locked in such a place for the first time is not like any other, and never occurs the second time. These men watched me after the door was locked. I tried to be brave, but the tears were running down my face. I took hold of the iron bars of my door, and tried to shake them and said: 'Never mind, you put me in here a cub, but I will come out a roaring lion and I will make all hell howl!' This was a prophetic utterance."

Mrs. Nation was released the last week in January 1901, under a writ of

habeas corpus. She left the city on an evening train, to spend some time with friends in a neighboring town.

Ten days later found her back in Wichita—not as a cub . . . but rather a roaring lion.

THE address of the old Sickler building was 409 East Douglas Avenue, directly across the street from the "Four Ten" saloon. On the second floor of this building, overlooking the avenue and the "liquor joint", four women were in a meeting of the Wichita chapter of the W. C. T. U. Mrs. Nation was in the group.

During the course of the meeting, she arose to her feet and suggested that it was up to the women to destroy those places of infamy which were damning the souls of their men and boys. This plan of action was instantly approved and the three women agreed to accompany her on a raid. They were Mrs. Lucy Wilhoite, Miss Muntz and Mrs. Julia Evans.

Spontaneously and without premeditation, as the four prepared to leave the building, Carry Nation picked up a hatchet which was lying in a box of kindling wood near the door, in the hall of the building. She concealed the weapon in her clothing.

The ensuing drama which occurred is best described by the only eye-witness to the scene—Rev. John Winrod. This famous incident soon reverberated in all parts of the United States and around the world.

"Carry Nation and her companions came through the swinging doors singing an old hymn," says Rev. Winrod. "Our fine, thin stemmed glasses and bottles soon disappeared from the back

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HATCHET.

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bar and the odor of alcohol filled the air. I folded my arms, stood still and watched. What else could I do?

"If you ask me I will say that Carry Nation was decidedly a lady of her word. She had promised, at the time of her prayer, to pay us another visit and when she got through with 'Four Ten' that day, it looked like a Kansas cyclone had hit the place. Mrs. Nation led the brigade and the women left us about demolished. Show cases, mirrors, bottles, windows, gambling devices—everything had been smashed.

"Deep in my heart I admired those women. It required courage to do what they did, but they were actuated by sincere and noble Christian motives."

Mrs. Nation tells in her autobiography of a man asking Rev. Winrod this question: "Why did you not knock that woman down?" She quotes him as replying: "God forbid that I should strike a woman."

The commotion which crashing glass caused at "Four Ten" did not cease with the breaking up of the place. The four women were arrested and lodged in jail. However, politicians did not dare work out any new scheme, on this occasion, because public sentiment was decidedly on the side of the women. They were released.

One afternoon, while Mrs. Nation was speaking on the street near the

Post Office in Topeka, Kansas, a man detached himself from the crowd and approached her. In his hand, he carried a replica of a hatchet. "Here, Carry," he said, "are some little hatchets; you sell them to this crowd and you can pay your court costs and fines this month." In a short time, people were seen everywhere wearing small hatchets made into stick-pins, on their coats and dresses.

There are conflicting stories relative to the original hatchet which Mrs. Nation used to smash her first saloon. But Rev. Winrod explained to the writer the actual facts as to what occurred in this regard. It was taken from Mrs. Nation at the time of her arrest, after smashing "Four Ten" and filed as an exhibit for prosecution, pending disposition of the case in court. Since she was released, this piece of evidence was never used against her. It remained here for eight years, when the city council, acting upon a motion by the Mayor, presented it to Mrs. Myra McHenry.

Today, America is witnessing the spectacle of the return of the old saloon. This infamous institution has returned with a vengeance, wreaking devastation on our highways and moral ruin in every community. It is the opinion of Rev. Winrod and many others that the Roosevelt liquor era is much more odious than was the old saloon.

— Staff Writer

"The Kings of the East"

By Gerald B. Winrod

"AND the sixth angel poured out his vial upon the great river Euphrates; and the water thereof was dried up, that the way of the *kings of the east* might be prepared. . . . And he gathered them together into a place called in the Hebrew tongue Armageddon." Rev. 16:12,16.

Two passages of Apocalyptic Scripture, relating to the last tragic struggle of the present age, need to be studied jointly—Revelation 9:13-21. Both refer to (1) the river Euphrates (2)

Armageddon and (3) the Kings of the East.

The precision with which international trends are fitting into the mould of Bible prophecy answers those critics who in the past have said, that studies in this department of theological science involve an innocent, but meaningless diversion. The practical use of prophetic knowledge has been clearly demonstrated by recent happenings among the nations.

The Bible, notably the books of Dan-

iel, Ezekiel and Revelation, contain messages adapted to the present period of the world's history. The writers of these prophetic documents were unmistakably illuminated from a supernatural source. Writing under inspiration, they saw events unfold themselves centuries ahead of time.

By systematic analysis, and thoroughly yielding ourselves to the guidance of the same Holy Spirit Who originally inspired the messages, we may ferret out the facts, even though symbolic language was often employed by the original writers.

No one may lay claim to infallibility in matters of interpretation but the general outline of world changes, anticipated for the closing period of this age, are readily discernable.

The turn of the present century found an enterprising group of Bible scholars busily engaged in the study of prophecy. Through their efforts a large literature was built up . . . and now that the World War is history, a period of international revolution has been ushered in, the map of Europe remade, world attention focused upon Palestine, the ancient Roman Empire in process of revival, a rebirth of Asiatic nationalism in the Orient, the clammy hand of apostasy resting like a pall

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An Interesting Confirmation

Taking for instance the friendly attitude which has of late developed between Germany and Russia. . . . Bible students who are accustomed to keeping the prophetic Scriptures open on their reading tables, beside their daily papers, are not at all surprised at this trend.

During the last decade, it is safe to say that scores of references have been made in Defender articles, to an ultimate blending of interests on the part of these two countries. This deduction is based in part, upon Ezekiel, chapter 38, where Gog, Meshech, Tubal and Gomer are shown to share in a common cause.

The word *Gog*, used to symbolize red Communism, is derived from *Agag*, the name of a king who ruled the Edomites (Amalekites) about a thousand years B. C. The Edomites were descendants of Esau, the red — a man identified with the color of red in the Old Testament. *Agag* was king of the reds and *Gog* typifies the red movement of the age-end.

Concerning the word *Meshech* as referring to Moscow, and *Tubal* being a reference to Tobolsk, let us turn to the footnote of the Scofield Bible, which appears in connection with this passage of Scripture: "The reference to Meshech and Tubal, Moscow and Tobolsk, is a clear mark of identification. . . . The whole prophecy belongs to the yet future 'day of Jehovah' and to the battle of Armageddon."

There are many reasons why Bible students know, with equal certainty, that the term *Gomer* of this chapter alludes to Germany.

The framework, the blueprint, of the coming Armageddon is spread out like a panorama, in the 38th chapter of Ezekiel. And when the storm breaks, Germany and Russia will be found standing together. If space permitted, it would be interesting to quote past Defender articles on this subject, from the pens of such men as Dr. Oswald J. Smith, Dr. Louis R. Patmont, Dr. W. D. Herrstrom, the writer, and others, who saw an alignment between these two countries coming, back when there were yet no political signs of such an arrangement on the international horizon.

Jewish Question Involved

A current press dispatch from Berlin, written by L. P. Lochner, bears this headline: "Germany and Russia Talk of Being Friends Again." Mr.

Lochner, who has charge of the Associated Press of Germany and is credited with strong pro-Communist leanings, says:

"When these developments were first indicated last week, without official affirmation or denial, observers believed they meant the shift of major Nazi attacks from Russia to Great Britain and France, whom Berlin accuses of trying to 'encircle' Germany, and a German move to isolate Poland, with whom Germany is at odds over the return of the free city of Danzig to the Reich."

An eight-column headline across the front page of the *San Antonio Evening News* announces: "German and Russian Alliance is Feared." The article quotes Kurt Ludecke, a former German official as saying: "Hitler may have been saying to Stalin: 'I cannot come to terms with you while your foreign minister is a Jew.' Now that Litvinoff is gone, there is no real obstacle to prevent an alliance which has been long rumored," Ludecke said.

The failure of England and France to woo Soviet Russia into a military pact against Germany, is explained as follows by a dispatch from Washington:

"During the height of the negotiations between Moscow, London and Paris, the German ambassador delivered to the Russian government the record of conversation between England, France and Germany in which the two democracies urged Hitler to attack the Soviet.

"The conversations were held last fall after Munich. At that time, the British were confident that they had worked out a real pact with Hitler, and made discreet suggestions to him regarding his future moves in Europe.

"Why Hitler did not accept the suggestion is known only to himself. But what is known, is that just as the British changed their tactics from attempted cooperation with Hitler to building up a wall around him, and just as they were beseeching Stalin to join this wall, Hitler dumped the Ukrainian correspondence in Stalin's lap.

"It made the Russians think twice before joining with allies who only six months before had tried to wreck them."

Alignment between Germany and Russia is contingent to a very great extent upon a wave of anti-semitism in the latter Country, to break the control of international Jewry over the people. Persistent reports coming out of Russia, indicate that such a state of affairs is rapidly developing. This undoubtedly had much to do with the recent removal of Litvinoff-Finkelstein from the powerful post of Foreign Commissar.

"King of the East"

The final Armageddon will be a struggle between Eastern and Western powers, the cockpit of the war being Palestine.

Press reports of recent disturbances from Jerusalem, were quickly hushed by the international control, but sufficient information seeped through to the general public, to cause one to suppose that the British government is being greatly harassed by the problem which she now faces.

When England made known her intention last May of putting aside the mandate which she has held over Palestine since the World War, thus permitting the Country to gravitate to Arab control, Jewry screamed its resentment.

Said an Associated Press report: "British police fired into a crowd of Jewish youths demonstrating at Tel Aviv Wednesday night against the newly announced British policy governing Palestine, and wounded several of them. The crowd of more than 5,000 Jewish youths, after taking an oath to fight for Jewish independence, had marched to the British government district offices. Raising a Zionist flag, they forced their way into the building, broke up furniture and set fire to desks and tables, police said. Police fired first into the air, then as the disorders continued, shot into the crowds."

A careful analysis of the two passages from Revelation, mentioned at the beginning of this discussion, shows that East and West are destined eventually to clash in Palestine. The present short article is concerned only with prophetic trends in the East.

An alignment of Eastern powers is inevitable. It will be an "Asiatic League of Nations". The word "East" in the passage means literally "Sun-rising". It is of passing significance that Japan's emblem bears a Sunburst — that she is called the *land of the rising Sun*.

The present quickening in the Orient is of great significance and students of prophecy will continue to watch trends in that part of the world with bated breath — because they have to do with the approaching Armageddon of the prophetic Scriptures.

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My first three and one-half years as missionary in the Near East, was without design to build up a congregation of converts won from the Moslem or Druze religions. During that period I learned the lesson of approach to the people of the Islamic world . . . it must be a method employed without offending their inherent convictions, or stifling my own sense of duty.

I therefore came to them not as a professional missionary, but as a sojourner in the land—a stranger without a propaganda, needing friends and sympathetic helpers.

It was upon their basic pride and love of hospitality that I established my method of approach. For their unsparing display of this virtue, I showed appreciation. To the educated and to the illiterate, I expressed hearty approval of their commendable social qualities. This oriental trait must have sprung from deeply religious sentiments, undoubtedly handed down from their father Abraham. I thus introduced a wedge into the crevice that religious custom had made.

Advancing on lines of least resistance, I soon established friendship as a foundation upon which to build. This removed suspicion of intent to alter the fixed religious opinions of my host. I did not challenge this intelligence by commending Christianity as a choice, immeasurably above other faiths. I conceived that the faiths of Mohammed and Hakim are not easily uprooted, even by the most successful logician voicing the most trenchant apologetics. Contrast and debates not only leave disputants more widely apart than the poles, but also finds both parties oppressed with an unpleasant sense of hostility.

Spiritual Weapons Necessary

Having won my host as a trusting friend, toward whom I freely display that common treasure of the Church, "Divine love"—I then proceed to pray for him in secret. I hold firmly to the belief that there is an "operation of faith" which belongs especially to those who have been called to any sort of ministry by the Holy Spirit.

Of what avail is incessant prayer, if we do not hold fast by faith, without waverings? God's response is governed more by His knowledge of our unshaken confidence, than by any form of continuous appeal. Unless we can bring the

unenlightened mind to a realization, that we possess the "treasure in the earthen vessel", we shall needs go around the world from Jerusalem to reach Jericho, in the effort to establish Jesus as a Savior in their conscious faculties.

The soul, for whom we are praying, must learn from us that there is something experientially better than religion, and that it is not seated in the antipodes of the brain—that, after all, religion is not the chief object to be sought, but a character so supernaturally transformed that it faithfully reflects the Divine Mind.

"For the weapons of our warfare are not carnal, but mighty through God to the pulling down of strong holds: Casting down imaginations, and every high thing that exalteth itself against the knowledge of God, and bringing into captivity every thought to the obedience of Christ." II Cor. 10:4, 5.

Without fear of being tainted by a false faith, I may conscientiously give respect to the opinions of my Moslem and Druze friends. I need not endorse their beliefs in the divinity of their respective faiths, but I may show admiration for their loyal and uncompromising stand for what they believe is true. I can find many points of morals and philosophies, on which these faiths agree with the same touchstones of Christianity. At the same moment, I am trusting the Holy Spirit to work in their hearts in an overmastering way. The presence of the blessed Spirit will prove more effective than all the arts of elocution or the ingenious logic of Christian polemics.

Jesus said: "Without me, ye can do nothing."

The Holy Spirit's Endowment

If we have received the Holy Spirit as promised (Acts 1:8), He, the Spirit of Truth, will guide us into all truth, and take the things of Christ and reveal them unto us. (St. John 16:13,15).

The question of the Spirit's power in the life is one of utmost importance to Christians actively engaged in evangelism. The Spirit must not be relegated to a secondary position in the plan of God for a lost world. He must have

a first place, or we shall be forced to a hard-working but fruitless ministrations.

If one has been truly baptized into the Holy Ghost, he is endued with power from on high, furnished with lubricants for the machinery of the Church, inspired with Gospel messages, given Apostolic zeal for the lost and will carry about with him, in his daily unprofessional contact with yearning humanity, an atmosphere of rare and subtle power.

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Spirit, "we live, and move, and have our being" in the heavenlies. To be sure this is an exalted conception, but it is foolish and supine to aim low and miss the "mark for the prize of the high calling of God in Christ Jesus." Phil. 3:14. See Col. 3:3.

Sustaining this conception, and avoiding all controversy, the souls for whom we travail will begin intuitively to inquire into the secret of our power. The energy, the equipoise, the wide-mindedness coupled with humility and crowned with unmistakable love, disarms antagonism, and dormant hopes are thus released from the prison of unbelief to renew their search for truth.

Reproducing Christ's Life

Reproducing the life of Christ, His divine attributes, was the prescribed first-century method of evangelization. It was Jesus incarnate in mortal flesh, exerting compassionate love, that melted stubborn, sin-bound hearts into submission.

We need not be any the less endowed in this respect.

It is that mysterious "something" which is above the natural that constitutes an appeal for the lost, to the human heart. Words are feeble to convey the truth. Much, therefore, depends on the display of God's boundless love that "never faileth".

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Everywhere are hungry hearts destitute of "the riches of His grace." If we would introduce them to Christ, "the hope of glory", we must ourselves be in the vocation of purifying ourselves, even as He is pure.

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to wit: to conserve and house the souls that have been converted through evangelizing agencies.

The mainspring of evangelization power is embodied in the Holy Ghost. To be without the "anointing", is to be without the power to adequately hold Jesus up to a lost world, or to offer a suitable remedy for sin and the subjugation of the Adamic nature. It is not so much by words that this is accomplished. A faith, embellished with the Spirit, may well replace an empty, formal and unsatisfying form of worship, to the great joy of the recipient.

We are caused to reflect upon the following summary:

(1) The example of a Spirit-filled soul-winner is not lost. The effects may be slow, but we may conceive Scripturally that there will be permanent fruitage.

(2) The believer should not be satisfied with simply being a Christian; neither should he depend upon the persuasiveness of his language, the wealth of his Bible knowledge, nor the strength of his personality. He must rather be a living epistle, "known and read of all men."

(3) The Holy Spirit must have been definitely received in order to rightly discern and interpret His leadings.

(4) The Holy Spirit must be present in order to be fecund with the life of Christ; to be able to reproduce Him in a discernable form of attributes, rather than the design of an outward material imitation.

(5) The soul-winner must not hesitate to express divine love visibly, in act and thought. He should do this with unaffected sincerity. Others will not mistake one's spirit when they observe that he has an intimate, personal relation with the Master. "As He is, so are we in this world."

(6) There is no better way to hold up Christ than by reproducing His attributes. When He is reigning within, "the hope of glory", words and acts become spiritualized with a celestial fire that starts a conflagration in men's souls which the pagan gods of this world cannot extinguish.

(7) Formal men and methods only produce formal converts, but the living truth manifested by "living epistles" perpetuates a generation of souls to reign with Christ as kings and priests.

(8) The soul-winner who holds up Christ in his own life as an indwelling High Priest and glorified Lord, may be found drawing unto Him (Who reigns within) the most obdurate and defiled sinners, or the most fastidious unbelievers. Think not that such a testimony is lost, even if souls do not immediately own Christ, or join the Church, or attend Sunday School. Statistics are

made upon earth, but the ultimate records are kept in Heaven.

(9) The quality of the workmanship depends on the extent we submit to His management. Make haste slowly, especially where flinty rocks protrude. Character is not often restored quickly, even when sins are forgiven. Growth in Grace leads to maturity in Christ.

(10) Finally, if we have partaken bountifully of God's redeeming love; if the sweetness of His Grace has flooded our souls, we cannot well conceal the fact from others.

"And he made him to suck honey out of the rock, and oil out of the flinty rock." Deut. 32:13. If we offer our unsaved friends "honey in the rock," they will surely taste and ask for more.

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"Brighten The Corner Where You Are"

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But "Brighten the Corner Where You Are" was written for a special purpose. It was never designed for the formal worship of Sunday morning, nor was it meant for the devotion of the prayer meeting, nor a funeral. But it has been sung at all of these places.

Ina Dooley Ogden wrote the words. They came from a period of discouragement and disappointment. The ambition of her young life was to go out on the public platform and entertain and instruct people. She longed for the thrill that would come from the response of the crowd. Because of a sick father she had to stay home. That seemed to be her duty. One day, in the midst of her household tasks, while sweeping the floor, during a period of special depression, the thought came to her, "Well, after all, my duty is to brighten this particular corner where I am." From that thought the poem was born. Charles H. Gabriel set it to music.

Mrs. Ogden did not get to take the place she wanted on the public platform, but this particular song, along with several others of hers, has reached and touched and cheered and brightened many thousands more people, than she could have ever touched by her personal appearances before the public.

Although a very simple little song, it has in it the element of the world's need today — self-sacrifice, mutual helpfulness, fundamentally the Golden Rule. Read over the words as you find it here in this Defender, or you will find it on page 223 in *Christian Service Songs*, our newest song book. See what a real, definite, important message it has for the needs of this present day.

It is the kind of a song that can be sung at almost any service or in almost any place. When I take my trombone and go out on the street corner or down in the foundry or the steel plant — when I play and sing, and then when I want to cheer these men-up by getting them to sing, I would not have much luck with the loveliest, most beautiful, most dignified and most worshipful of the great hymns of the Church. They just would not be interested.

There would be no definite personal appeal.

But when it comes to "Brighten the Corner Where You Are," that is a different matter. Here is something they can understand. Here is something they can learn the first time they hear it. Here is rhythm, melody, harmony. So, in just a few minutes I can have every man and boy in the shop or factory singing or whistling the chorus.

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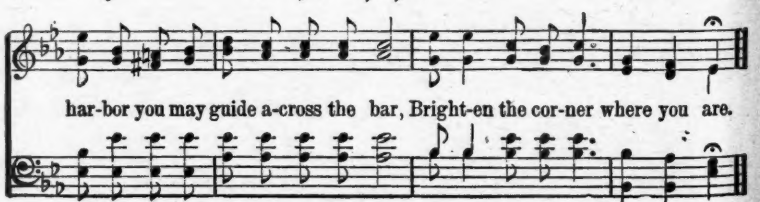
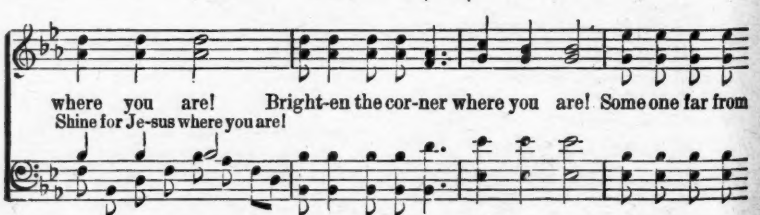
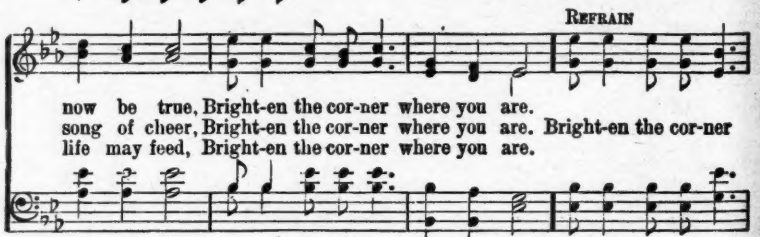
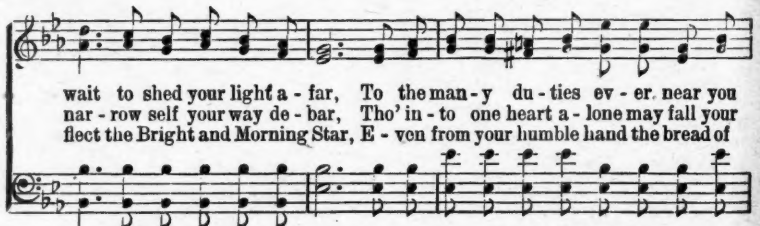
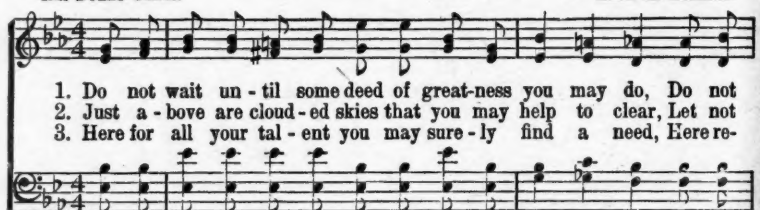
sents opportunities for antiphonal singing and it became famous through the great Billy Sunday Tabernacle meetings in the cities of New York, Philadelphia, Pittsburgh, because I would have all the people in the section over on the right hand side singing the first phrase, everybody over on the left the second phrase, then all the choir and all the people in the center the third phrase, and then everybody in the last eight or ten rows the last phrase. Simple as this may seem to you musicians, it does create a dramatic and startling effect when you have a crowd of twelve or fifteen thousand people. Then it is the type of song you can let people sing one phrase and whistle another; let all the men sing one phrase and the women the other. We have thus divided it in every conceivable way.

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During the days of the meeting in New York City, Mr. Sunday's Tabernacle was away out at 168th and Broadway, where twelve to sixteen thousand people gathered every night, six nights in the week and three times on Sunday, for ten weeks. We sang "Brighten the Corner Where You Are" until every newsboy in the city knew it and was singing it. The night clubs were playing it. They were using it in the theatres. And the critics all claimed that "Brighten the Corner Where You Are" was sung more times and in more places than any popular song from any theatrical production in New York during that period.

Now, you can understand, that would have been absolutely impossible with some great beautiful hymn. There is a place for all of them, but not the same place.

John Phillip Sousa arranged "Brighten the Corner Where You Are" and played it as an Overture with his great band. The title has been used as a slogan for many advertising campaigns, especially paint concerns have found the title useful as an advertising slogan. No one will ever be able to estimate the tremendous good accomplished by this simple little song as it has spread across the Country urging people to "brighten their corners".

On a trip around the world a few years ago I found many of the missionaries had already translated the words and taught it to people in various mission fields. Some of the others we had translated on the way, until by the time I got back home "Brighten the Corner" had been sung in twenty different languages and dialects. Some of the translations were even better than the original, but we have not tried to change or improve Mrs. Ogden's words or Mr. Gabriel's music.

We have found it interesting when we had a Korean, a Japanese, a German, an Hawaiian and a Filipino all on the platform at one time singing "Brighten the Corner Where You Are" — each in his own language. It certainly was a conglomeration, but proved of unusual interest to people.

This is another illustration of how, by the use of a simple good cheer song of this type, people can be brought together and united for one purpose. Our particular purpose in popularizing this song was to attract the attention of people and get them to stop singing their popular songs for a little while, and sing a song that had its origin up at Billy Sunday's Tabernacle where a man was preaching the Gospel of Jesus Christ every day and every night.

I firmly believe that this simple song has brought a lot of people to revival services who never would have come for any part of the world's greatest music. Yes, I do believe in the world's greatest music. I think we should have the highest type of music in our churches. I believe our young people should be encouraged to study and produce the great classics. At the same time, there is a message of importance in Gospel songs and great hymns of the church that no other kind of music can present.

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- (4) The Bible was intended by God to be studied;
- (5) All believers ought to perfect themselves therein;
- (6) All ministers ought to be guides in this study.

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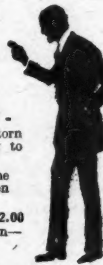
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IT was only a few hours from the time Dr. Chenault preached the concluding message in a series of evangelistic meetings at the Fundamental Baptist Church, of Dallas, Texas, that he met a tragic death on the highway . . . and fell the victim of a drunken driver.

These inspiring messages were stenographically reported and have been preserved in the present volume, which became known as a *Memorial Book* — in memory of the life and ministrations of the Author. The title of the book, suggested by his widow, is appropriate.

It has been said that these messages represent evangelistic preaching at its best. The sermons rest solidly upon the Word of God and have to do with the seriousness and tragedy of sin, pressed upon the human heart with logic and convincing power. Then the saving work of the Lord Jesus Christ is unfolded, the infinite possibilities that are available for all men in the unfathomable, unlimited riches of Grace found in Christ Jesus.

INTERNATIONAL SUNDAY SCHOOL LESSON COMMENTS

For August By Rev. Paul S. Wight

July 30

JEHOSHAPHAT: A Life of Obedience

2 Chronicles 17:1-6, 9-12

GOLDEN TEXT: "Seek ye first his kingdom, and his righteousness. — Matthew 6:33.

The name Jehoshaphat means "Jehovah judges". And it is true that this king lived as one who recognized the fact that God does judge.

"And the Lord was with Jehoshaphat" (verse 3). Five reasons are given why he enjoyed divine favor. (1) "He walked in the ways of his father David." (2) He "sought not unto Baalim." (3) He "sought to the God of his father." (4) He "walked in his commandments." (5) He did not walk "after the doings of Israel."

"And (he) walked in his commandments and not after the doings of Israel." Every man has a struggle in his own life, to determine whether or not he will walk in the way of the Lord or follow the easy paths of unrighteousness. In this conflict, Jehoshaphat gained the victory, to the blessing of not only himself, but of all the people over whom he reigned.

"Moreover he took away the high places and groves out of Judah" (verse 6). We find that Jehoshaphat did two things. (1) He took away the teachers of lies — the high places and the groves. (2) He sent forth teachers of truth. When he inquired into the religious status of his kingdom he discovered the people, generally, very ignorant.

Jehoshaphat adopted the wisest possible means to make his reformation permanent, namely, the systematic teaching of the Word of God. He provided for three classes of men to teach the Word of God — "Princes" (verse 7); "Levites" (verse 8); "Priests" (verse 8). They "taught the book of the law of the Lord." Modern "priests" and "levites" could learn a lesson from this fact. The Word of God should be above everything else in our Churches today; instead we too of-

ten find book reviews, modernism, radicalism, the teaching of psychology, sociology, Biblical criticism and unbelief.

Verses 10 and 11. This refers to the fulfilled promise of God, made through Moses. If this race of people diligently obeyed God, He would, "lay the fear of you and the dread of you upon all the land" (Deut. 11:22-25). When Jacob ordered his family to put away strange gods that were among them, "the terror of God was upon the cities that were round about them" (Gen. 35:5). In obedience there is power . . . and only *right* makes *might* in the nation or church that has God for its help.

August 6

ELIJAH: A Life of Courage

1 Kings 18:30-39

GOLDEN TEXT: "The Lord is far from the wicked: but He heareth the prayer of the righteous. Proverbs 15:29.

With the suddenness of a flash of lightning and a crash of thunder out of a clear sky, Elijah the prophet bursts upon us in this Old Testament narrative. As he was taken away in a chariot of fire when his work was done, it may also be said that he came in the same way.

"He that troubleth Israel." It is an old story — some people try to blame others for their own short-comings. The King was in reality the "troubler of Israel." It has been the lot of the world's most useful men to be called "the troublemakers of the land," and to be run down as public menaces. Even Christ and His apostles were thus misrepresented, Acts 17:6.

Elijah reproved the people for mixing the worship of God and the worship of Baal together. Not only some Israelites worshipped God and others Baal, but the same Israelites moved back and forth, worshipping first one and then the other. This he calls (verse 21) "halting between two opinions." They worshipped God to please the prophets, but served Baal to please Jezebel and win favor at court.

"How long halt ye between two opinions?" should be translated, "How long do ye limp on both sides?" This indictment finds special application in our day when so much worldliness and compromise has come into the churches.

The lesson this week deals with one of the most dramatic episodes of human history. "The God that answereth by fire, let him be God." The prophets of

Baal talked. But Elijah *prayed*. There is a difference between talking and praying. Elijah prayed exactly 63 words — and the fire fell! Why? Because he first rebuilt the altar.

Like Israel of old, our altars are to a great extent broken down today. Hence, there is little or no fire in the average church. Elijah wanted a revival in Israel. The fire came down. Revival fires always fall when God's people get in earnest and really pray. The fire can not be pumped up from below. It must come down from above.

Baal was deaf. The Prince of the Power of the Air, had God permitted him, could have produced fire. We find that Antichrist the Beast, who deceives the world in the end-time of this age, will do it (Rev. 13:13-14). . . . "He maketh fire come down from heaven in the sight of men and so deceiveth them."

August 13

ELISHA: A Life of Helpfulness

2 Kings 5:1-10, 14

GOLDEN TEXT: "Be ye kind one to another." Eph. 4:32.

Naaman! Well thought of by the King; greatly esteemed by the people. A nice letter of recommendation this, from his last place of employment. But more: "Naaman was honorable."

He is the hero. He returns from battle beneath the victor's arch-leader of the conquering Syrian army. To make the words of praise complete, this is added: "He was also a mighty man in valor." He was not the kind that shouted: "Go on boys, and fight!" It was: "Come on boys, I'll lead the way!"

But with it all — Naaman is unclean. Great Naaman, honorable Naaman, victorious Naaman, valiant Naaman . . . is unclean. Naaman is a leper!

A little Jewish girl told Naaman's wife about "the prophet that is in Samaria." Both the King of Syria and Naaman's household believed that healing of the disease was possible. "Go," said the King, "and I will send a letter unto the King of Israel."

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of raiment and a letter from the King of Syria to the King of Israel, Naaman left for Samaria to be cured of a disease considered by all Oriental people "a living death" (see Numbers 12:12). Israel's King was alarmed for fear that if Naaman should not be restored, the Syrians would become angry and launch an attack. "So Naaman came with his horses and with his chariot, and stood at the door of the house of Elisha."

Said Elisha: "Go and wash in Jordan seven times, and thy flesh shall come again to thee, and thou shalt be clean." Naaman got mad!

He had thought out just how it would be done: the prophet would come to him, assume an attitude of humility, wave his hand over the leprous spot, and lo! the disease would disappear. How Naaman must have felt when he was merely told to go dip seven times in the river Jordan! "Naaman was wroth." That shows how sinners sometimes act. They forget that they are lepers and resist the very Christ Who offers the only ray of hope in their darkened sky. Stop arguing Naaman — and take a dip for dipping is your only remedy.

I have seen honorable, cultured, and refined lepers who were just like Naaman. My! How they resent being told that their good works will never save them. Their proud hearts want to work it out rather than believe that Christ's merit and death has done the work, and that their part is simply to believe and accept the gift of salvation according to Grace and Obedience. They hate to dip. They are built on the giraffe order, and have eaten high-brow hay from the top shelf so long that they find it difficult to accept a simple, short, sweet command from God and believe.

Naaman finally obeyed the word of the Lord as spoken through the lips of the prophet — and was healed.

August 20

Beverage Alcohol And The Community

Joel 1:5-7; Daniel 5:1-5, 17, 25-28

GOLDEN TEXT: "Woe unto him that giveth his neighbor drink." Hab. 2:15.

The palmerworms, the locusts, the cankerworms and the caterpillars of destruction may be expected to devour the nation that lowers its moral standards. And so, we find Joel saying in the next breath: "Awake, ye drunkards, and weep; and howl, all ye drinkers of wine."

In the tragic fall of Babylon, history paints a picture of mass immorality reaching the point of saturation in a nation.

See how the King affronted God. (1) Belshazzar disobeyed the laws of right and defied God's judgments. Instead of fasting in view of coming judgment, he was caught feasting. (2) He affronted the temple of God, and defiled the contents of the holy sanctuary, (read verses 2 and 3). No vessels would

do but those which had been taken from the holy place in Jerusalem. He defied Deity for they drank wine, and praised the gods of gold and silver (verse 4).

See how God affrighted the King.

(1) There appear the fingers of a man's handwriting on the plaster of the wall before the King's face (verse 5). The divine hand that had written the two tables for a law, now writes the doom of Babylon and Belshazzar upon the wall. The mysterious message was written without noise; there were no claps of thunder, no flashes of lightning, no destroying angel with his sword drawn — only a strange hand dipping into the ink of God's judgment.

(2) The King is immediately seized with a panic fear (verse 6). But what was the matter? Why the state of alarm? He can not read the writing, and how does he know but it may be the harbinger of good news? His own guilty conscience flew into his face and told him that he had no reason to expect good news from heaven, and that the hand of an angel could write nothing but terror for him.

(3) Daniel undertakes to read the writing. He refuses the offer of rewards and is not pleased that the matter was even mentioned, for he was not under the seductive snare of money lust. "Let thy gifts be to thyself, for they will not be long thine." Daniel sees the kingdom now at its last gasp, and looks with contempt upon proffered gifts and rewards. The best that this world can offer amounts to nothing when the hand of judgment begins to write.

The interpretation. "Mene, Mene, Tekel, Upharsin." God has numbered, weighed, divided.

"Mene", that word is repeated twice, for the sake of emphasis — meaning that the thing is certain. It signifies, both in the Hebrew and Chaldee, "He has numbered and finished," which Daniel thus explains (verse 26).

"Tekel", this signifies, in Chaldee "Thou art weighed," and in the Hebrew, "Thou art too light."

"Upharsin", which should be rendered, "and Pharsin", or "Peres". Parsin, in Hebrew, signifies the Persians; Parsin, in Chaldee, signifies dividing; Daniel puts both together (verse 28): "Thy kingdom is divided, and given to the Medes and Persians."

August 27

UZZIAH: A King Who Forgot God

2 Chronicles 26:3-5, 16-21

GOLDEN TEXT: "Every one that exalteth himself shall be abased; but he that humbleth himself shall be exalted." Luke 14:14.

Uzziah's first mistake was in not being able to bear prosperity. Which is harder to bear nobly, prosperity or adversity? Was Carlyle right when he said that for one who can stand prosperity, one hundred can stand adversity?

"When he was strong, his heart was lifted up." Uzziah became self-willed, independent, haughty and lost all sense of dependence upon God. He thought he was a law unto himself. He believed that "the king can do no wrong." "His heart was haughty and his eyes were lofty," and therefore he wanted to exercise himself in things too high for him (Psalms 131:1). His heart was leprous before it showed in his face, and so many men are weaned away from God and become sinners at heart before there is any open sign for the public to see.

The great test of individual character is not adversity, but prosperity. When the world wants to put a man through the third degree, it places near him the laurel wreaths of victory. Satan tried this on our Lord. He showed Him a picture of the kingdom of earth. But this effort to quicken a feeling of pride, selfishness and egoism in the bosom of the Christ failed utterly.

Uzziah's second mistake was in getting out of his proper sphere. His success in kingcraft and generalship made him think that he was likewise entitled to supreme rule in morals and religion. To defy and disobey one of the clearest and most emphatic precepts in the law, and to assume a prerogative which God has strictly confined to the priestly order, was a step so revolutionary in its character and tendency, that the most striking and impressive rebuke was administered. The sentence was judicial and was intended to warn all others from acts that result from unholy ambition.

There is no greater danger attached to the life of Christian service, than that of presumptuous pride. "If you want to realize your own importance, put your finger into a bowl of water, take it out, and look at the hole". — Robert Burdette. Jesus Christ was the lowliest among the mighty and the mightiest among the lowly. He should be our Example.

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NEW DEAL.

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this prerogative; whose sovereignty is absolute, and whose will is a perfect rule, and reason itself, so as for any man except a New Dealer to usurp such authority, is tyranny, and impiety."

Instead of the phrase, "with a firm reliance on the Protection of Divine Providence" in the Declaration of Independence, we might have had, "with a firm reliance on the Protection of Moscow."

There are still those, however, who believe that the "old conventional observances" of historical and evangelical Christianity, were primarily responsible for building up a high order of civilization, which until the coming of the New Deal, gave us more security, happiness and prosperity than any other nation has ever enjoyed.

One of the fundamentals of New Deal religion seems to be "No religion in politics." Another is, "No politics in religion." That is not exactly a new idea.

Pharaoh told Moses to go back and mind his business and not dabble in the politics of Egypt. Ahab told Elijah that he was causing the politicians a great deal of trouble and that he better be still. Daniel was a praying politician in Babylon and they made him an honorary member of the "Lion's Club." Shadrach, Meshach, and Abednego saluted God instead of the dictator and a "house-warming" was held in their honor. Thus it will be seen that there are various rewards when preachers, statesmen, and other good people try to inject religion where, as the Writer in the White House says, it has no place.

Theory and Practice

Christians are criticized by Mrs. Roosevelt for not always practicing what they preach, and that certainly is a just criticism. However, it seems that the New Dealers have the habit of allowing a considerable variation in their theory and practice.

For example, consult certain campaign speeches in which promises were made pledging to uphold the Constitution, reduce taxes, reduce governmental expenditures, reduce the number of government employees, reduce unemployment. All of these things are now "just around the corner," but that corner is much farther away than it was six years ago. Religion applied in the political realm would have the effect at least, of causing the politician to attach importance to promises made during pre-election campaigns.

We are told from New Deal sources that "religion was once preached by men who had no churches and no salaries," therefore churches should not be too much concerned with things material. However, those pastors were not without support. Like certain politicians they were supported from gratuities handed them by admiring friends.

We are told in this article that we should substitute spiritual values for physical force in combatting the ideas of dictator nations. Why then the

great armament program of the New Deal? There is not a nation or combination of nations on earth, that can cross the oceans and hope to successfully attack the United States. Why do we prepare to use physical force against other nations? No nation desires our enmity. Every nation wants our friendship. Then why all this New Deal propaganda designed to promote hate in this Country for Japan, Italy and Germany?

The Europeans are criticized for bowing down to the dictatorships which are now in power there. What about some of our unfortunate working men who must say, "Heil John Lewis" or wear a black eye and bloody nose? How about our American business men whose initiative has been crushed by the New Deal "smellin' committees"?

When regimentation and regulation by the government takes place in Europe, we call it "dictatorship". When it takes place in America, New Dealers call it "democracy".

"The Profit Motive"

It has been suggested that we eliminate the "profit motive" in the business world as a solution for economic troubles. How about eliminating the "profit motive" from politics? It has been rumored that some of the New Dealers are not exactly working for their health.

It seems to me that the radical groups which are most vociferous in advocating the elimination of the "profit motive" are the least inclined to practice it themselves.

If everybody will eliminate profit and work for the benefit of everybody else, everybody will be happy. That is a beautiful theory but it does not work out in practice. In Soviet Russia they discovered that when you eliminate the "profit motive" you destroy initiative.

When you give everybody the same reward, you reduce humans to the level of livestock. They are all fed and sheltered in the same way. The security they "enjoy" is the same that the negro slave used to "enjoy" — and we fought a Civil War to set him free. The so-called "profit motive" keeps humans from becoming chattels.

In order to have the greatest prosperity America has ever enjoyed, all we need to do is to repeal the legislation of the New Deal's "ignoble experiment", give the working man the assurance that he will have the liberty to work where and when he pleases without saluting a dictator; guarantee the business man that he will be free to operate his own business without governmental interference; and guarantee the farmer that he will have the liberty to run his farm and control his soil as he pleases.

And what business has a man, who has never been a business man and who knows nothing about business, to make it his business, to tell a business man how to run his business?

Utopia

"Utopia!" Mrs. Roosevelt uses this word and we have all heard it before.

Eliminate the "profit motive," effect cooperation between capital and labor and between nations and you will have Utopia. The New Deal religion will accomplish that!

I like to picture Utopia something like this:

John L. Lewis standing before the members of his C. I. O. organization, with an open Bible in his hand. He says, "Gentlemen of the C. I. O. bury your hatchets, put away your guns, blackjacks and dynamite. Apply the principles of the Golden Rule and walk with the Lord Jesus Christ in a life of prayer." ...

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Warmongers -- Now And Then

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THE CAUSES of the five wars in which our Country was engaged prior to 1917, are clearly recorded in history books and are well known by the high-school youth of America. The cause of our entrance into the World War, is not at all clear and of satisfactory explanation.

It is recorded for the youth and remembered by us who are older, that a British merchant ship which happened to be carrying some Americans as passengers, was torpedoed and sunk. These American passengers sailed on a beligerent vessel carrying munitions of war at their own risk. The warmongers in their efforts to make America war-minded, seized upon this incident to show that the Central Powers, if successful on the western front, would attack us; and that it would be "our turn next." The 3,000 miles of water between us and danger had to be reduced to a minimum in imagination to create the degree of fear desired by the promoters of war sentiment among us.

Coupled with this came the mystic phrase that we must fight "to make the world safe for democracy," and it was to be "a war to end war."

If this was the cause and these the purposes of our participation in the World War, then we and the Allies certainly lost the war, for nearly every democracy in Europe disappeared after 1918 and wars did not cease, and in our own Country there have never been so many subversive influences at work to destroy democracy as today.

After that war, the Russian soldiers returned home, helping to overthrow the government and gave to Russia, Communism and a dictatorship under Lenin. The German soldiers returned home, and in a short time gave Germany Nazism, and a dictatorship under Hitler. The Italian soldiers returned home, helped overthrow the Italian government, giving Italy Fascism and a dictatorship under Mussolini.

Our soldiers returned home united under the banner of the American Legion, which adheres to the twofold principles of the Monroe Doctrine—non-interference in foreign affairs and resistance only when a foreign power undertakes to gain a foot-hold upon the American continent.

If by our own belligerent and reckless tactics, we catapult ourselves into another European war, how will we explain the cause to the boys who will have to do the fighting, so they will understand? The answer would not be that we have been attacked, or were even in danger of attack, for no nation has attacked us or even remotely threatened us.

The warmongers tell us we would inevitably be drawn into an European war, but they don't say why. Would you expect your boy to understand after he had been drafted and was preparing to go and fight in an European war, that it was "inevitable."

Those who possess the power to put this Country into war should be able to state some cause other than those given in 1917, and which so shamefully failed — some cause other than "idealism", which proved its impotency during and after the World War.

When, and if, the time ever comes for American blood to be shed in defense of our Country, there will be no holding back, but American boys, their mothers and fathers, have a right to know that war, should it come, is the last recourse for the honor and security of the United States. There is no emergency confronting us today to justify the torment of American mothers and fathers with the dread and fear that invades their hearts, or that justifies the sending of American boys to foreign battle fields.

At the time of the Russo-Japanese war, President Theodore Roosevelt said: "All officials of the Government—civil, military and naval,—are directed to abstain from either action or speech which can cause irritation to either combatant."

The present President, being the representative of the people in the eyes of other nations, might at this time heed the advice of his illustrious namesake.

It does not comport with prudence, reason or common sense, for our officials and unelected official advisers, to shake their fists and make faces at certain foreign rulers, no matter how much they may dislike them. Such actions cause fights among boys, and are not conducive to neutrality and friendly feeling between nations.

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